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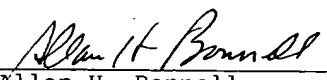
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S I R :

Applicant has noted an error in the arguments submitted on February 27, 1986 for the above-captioned application.

On page 5 of the Response (lines 24-26), the statement is incorrectly made that the Brandstrom Declaration shows sodium omeprazole to be more stable in solution than neutral omeprazole. In fact, the Brandstrom declaration compares sodium omeprazole and the sodium salt of the  $-CF_3$  compound of Senn-Bilfinger, the reference cited by the Examiner. It is this compound over which sodium omeprazole shows such a surprisingly greater stability.

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